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May 21, 2013

The Honorable Kay Hagan 521 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Hagan:

Modernizing the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) is a priority to support existing jobs and create new jobs throughout the US economy, including construction jobs associated with US chemical industry expansion. We join in support of the effort by Senator Vitter and a bipartisan group that is working on an achievable, bipartisan approach to modernize TSCA that will 1) protect worker and public health, 2) protect the environment, and 3) support the US chemical industry's ability to innovate, expand and provide good jobs.

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The Honorable Joe Donnelly B33 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Mark Pryor 255 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Heidi Heitkamp G55 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Heitkamp:

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The Honorable Joe Manchin 303 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Mary Landrieu 703 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

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